



City of Cambridge

76.

IN CITY COUNCIL

May 19, 1997

- MAYOR RUSSELL
- VICE MAYOR BORN
- COUNCILLOR DAVIS
- COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
- COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
- COUNCILLOR REEVES
- COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
- COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
- COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

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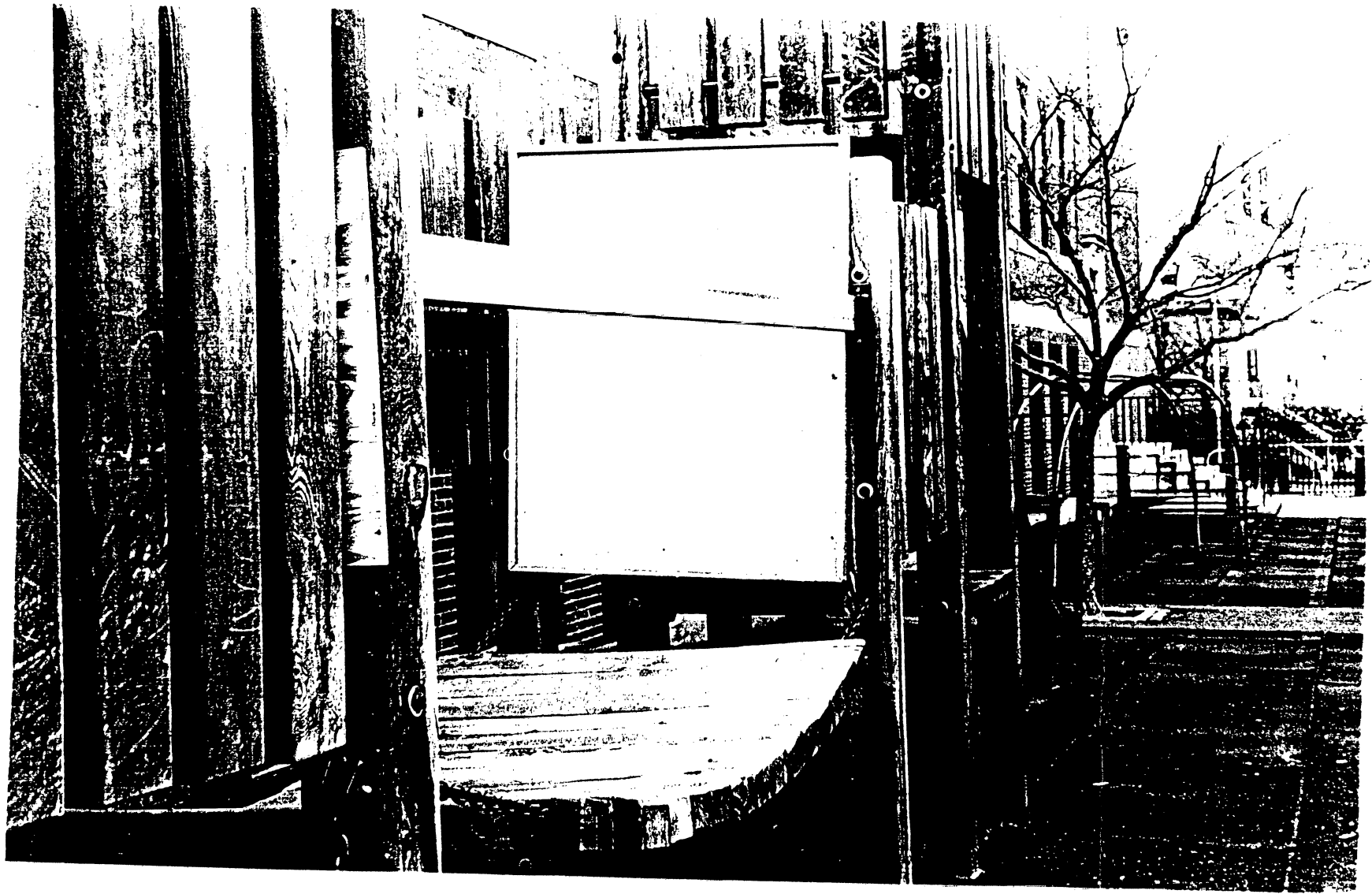
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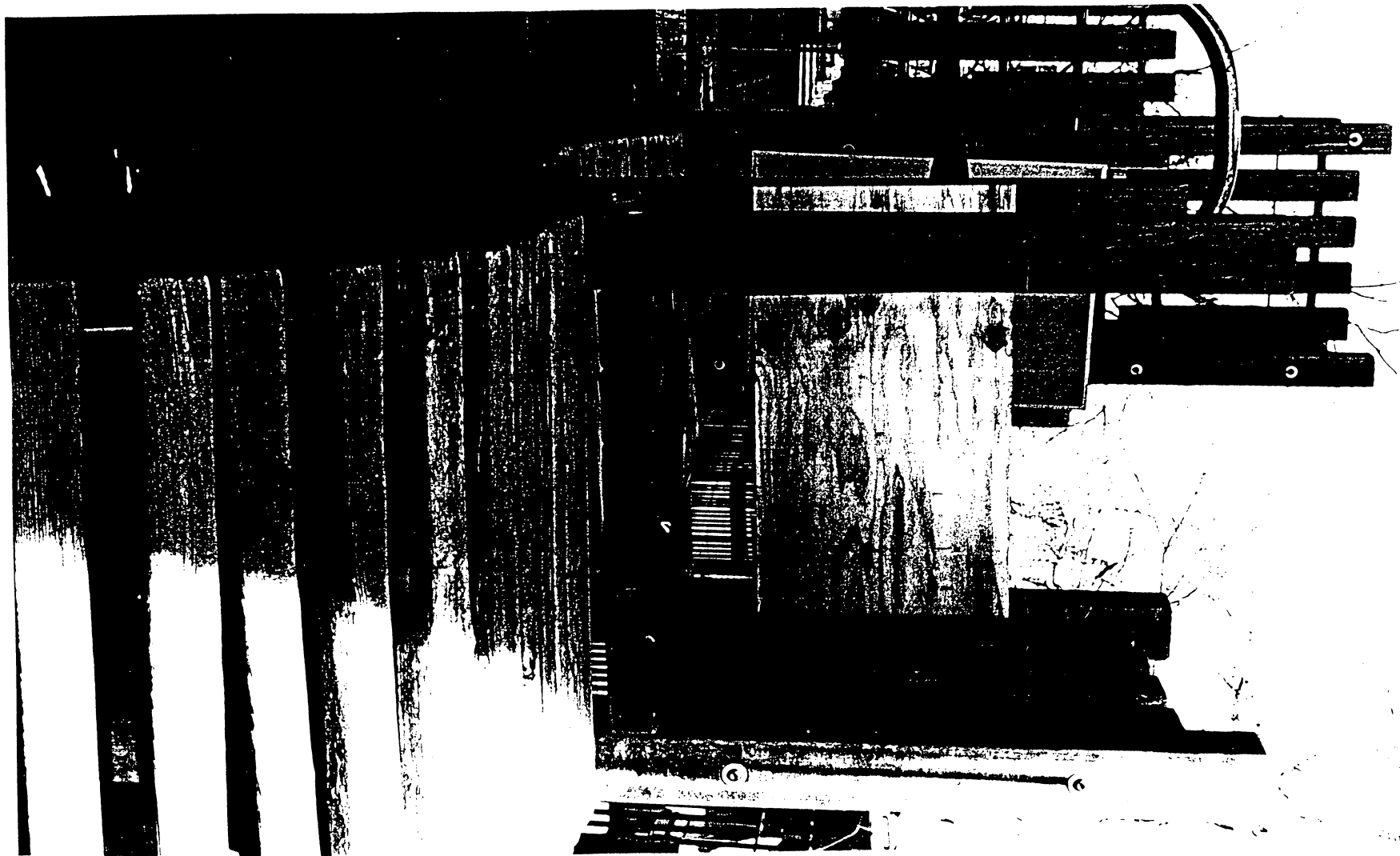
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 Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
 Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy; *D. Margaret Drury*

ATTEST:-
 D. Margaret Drury
 City Clerk



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H.W. LONGFELLOW SCHOOL

359 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

MARGARITA OTERO-ALVAREZ
PRINCIPAL

(617) 349-6875

MARY EICH
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

April 27, 1997

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Pictures say a thousand words, so we have enclosed photos of the Antrim St. park. We are hoping these problems can be corrected over the summer break. We know the safety of our children is as important to you as it is to us.

Thank You,

The Longfellow Community,

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Aurora Merrick
Jenna L. Kaidley
Paul

Thank You,

The Longfellow Community,

Ellen Thompson

Donna Douglas

Corinne Spear

Helen Hurling Smith

Allertina Pierre

Joy Aguir

Helen Hurling

Josephine

Margaret Shaw

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Consent Order #76 *Entire
memb. CM-304*

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ORDER ADOPTED